

Second Sunday in Lent



Gathering Music

We invite you to complete the prayer card found in this worship bulletin and to place it in the plate during the sharing of gifts. Information about the prayer cards is printed on the outside back cover of the bulletin.

Welcome

Inspired by the radical hospitality of Jesus Christ, Fourth Presbyterian Church welcomes all of God's children into the life of the church regardless of gender, age, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, physical limitation, educational background, or economic situation.

Call to Worship

O God, we joyously come together to worship, realizing we need not summon you into our midst, for you are here. We need not call you into the secret places of our hearts, for you are there. We need our eyes of faith to be opened, that we may see you; our ears to be unstopped, that we may hear you; our minds to be sensitive, that we may know you; our hearts to be tender, that we may receive you. Grant each one a blessing, O Lord, as each has need, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*Opening Song "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Patient God, we confess to you that we have not been patient. You have stuck with us through thick and thin, but when things get tough, we doubt that you are there. We worship you when it is convenient; we thank you when it comes to mind; but many times we have forgotten or ignored you. Forgive us, Lord. Help us to make space for you in our lives, for that is what we need. Have mercy upon us and come to find us, for we long to be with you again. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Blues Kyrie

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: As forgiven children of God, let us not be strangers to one another, but sisters and brothers in Christ. Please stand and greet one another

with the peace of Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

All are invited to stand and share the peace of Christ with one another.

*Sung Response

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Hearing and Proclaiming the Word

Psalter Psalm 22

Antiphon (sung by the congregation)

My God, my God,

why have you forsaken me?

Why are you so far from my cry

and from the words of my distress?

O my God,

I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; by night as well, but I find no rest.

Yet you are the Holy One,

enthroned

upon the praises of Israel.

Our ancestors put their trust in you;

they trusted, and you delivered them.

They cried out to you

and were delivered;

they trusted in you

and were not put to shame.

Antiphon

But as for me, I am a worm, not a human,

scorned by all and despised by the people.

All who see me laugh me to scorn;

they curl their lips

and wag their heads, saying,

"You trusted in God;

let God deliver you;

let God rescue you,

if God delights in you."

Yet you are the one who took me out of the womb, and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;

you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

Be not far from me,

for trouble is near,

and there is none to help.

Antiphon

I am poured out like water;

all my bones are out of joint;

my heart within my breast

is melting wax.

My mouth is dried out like a pot-sherd;

my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth;

and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

Be not far away, O God;

you are my strength; hasten to help me.

Antiphon

Sermon Disorientation . . . Reorientation

Adam H. Fronczek

Psalter Psalm 40

Antiphon (sung by the congregation)

I waited patiently upon God;

who stooped to me

and heard my cry.

God lifted me out of the desolate pit,

out of the mire and clay

and set my feet upon a high cliff,

making my footing sure.

God put a new song in my mouth,

a song of praise to our God.

Many shall see, and stand in awe,

and put their trust in God.

Happy are they who trust in God!

They do not turn to the proud or turn to the false.

Antiphon

Great things are they that you have done, O God, my God!

How great your wonders and your plans for us!

There is none who can be compared with you.

O, that I could make them known and tell them,

but they are more than I can count.

I have not hidden your righteousness in my heart;

I have spoken of your faithful deliverance;

I have not concealed your faithful love from the great congregation.

You are God; do not withhold your compassion from me;

let your faithful love keep me safe forever.

Antiphon

Be pleased, O God, to deliver me;

O God, make haste to help me.

Let all who seek you rejoice in you and be glad;

let those who love your salvation continually say, "Great is God!"

Though I am poor and afflicted,

God will have regard for me.

You are my helper and my deliverer;

do not tarry, O my God.

Antiphon

Sealing the Word

Sharing of Gifts

Please place gifts and prayer cards in the plate as it is passed.

Offertory Music "City Called Heaven"

Traditional

*Doxology Lucy Smith

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Great Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise!

SanctusLucy Smith

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

The Communion

Communion Music "If the Path I Travel"

Margaret E. Barber

Prayer After Communion (unison)

God, we thank you that when we wander from you, you come looking for us, and that when we leave home, you long for us to return.

Thank you for all your blessings to us and for your reminder in this bread and cup

that you are with us even when we feel alone. Amen.



*Closing Song "My Song Is Love Unknown"

*Benediction

Sending Music

A note on inclusive language

Incorporating ancient and contemporary traditions in this service, God will be named corporately in a variety of ways that are gender neutral. This allows for your personal expressions as you are led to name the Holy in ways meaningful to you.

Worship Leaders

Adam H. Fronczek Associate Pastor
Judith L. Watt Associate Pastor
Lucy Smith Jazz Quartet

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Fourth Church Cares

To notify pastoral staff of personal concerns, illnesses, hospitalizations, or deaths; to pass along a prayer request; or to arrange homebound Communion with a Deacon, contact Judith Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care, at 312.573.3360 (jwatt@fourthchurch.org).

Music and the Arts

Today Organist Aaron David Miller, former Associate Organist at Fourth Church and the composer of the 9/11 "Voices of Peace," will be in concert at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. He will play his own compositions as well as works by Bach and Mendelssohn and will conclude the program with improvisation. A freewill offering to be received will help support the Fourth Church music program.

Those interested in participating in a group art project for Good Friday, in conjunction with the Morning Choir's presentation of James MacMillan's Seven Last Words from the Cross, is invited to contact Rob Koon (rkoon@fourthchurch.org).

Visit the new website dedicated to the Fourth Church organ, www.fourthchurchorgan.org, to learn more about this magnificent instrument and how you can help rebuild it before it becomes unplayable. To make a pledge or gift, please use the gift intention card found in the pew rack; make a gift online at www.fourthchurchorgan.org; or contact Kathryn Johnson at 312.640.2576 (kjohnson@fourthchurch.org).

Organist Thomas Gouwens, Associate Organist at Fourth Church, will perform this Friday's free Noonday concert at 12:10 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

An excursion to see *Ten Chimneys* at the Northlight Theater will take place on Wednesday, March 28. A bus will depart at 10:50 a.m. from the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). All those sixty years and more are invited to this Center for Life and Learning event; RSVP to Ashley Elskus at 312.981.2287 (aelskus@fourthchurch.org).

Lent and Easter

Remember loved ones by contributing to the purchase of Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. A list of those honored will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Donations must be received by Friday, March 23 in order for the names to appear in the bulletin. Contributions can be made by completing the cards available in the literature racks.

ThirtiesForties meets on Sundays for a Lenten study at 12:30 p.m. in the Superior Room on the 19th floor of the 737 building.

The Holy Week Contemplative Retreat "Deep Calls to Deep," led by Vicky Curtiss, will take place Friday, April 6–Saturday, April 7 at The Well in La Grange Park. Registration forms are available in the brochures in the literature racks. For information, contact Nancy Davis at 312.274.3815 (ndavis@fourthchurch.org).

Photos of congregational life are posted on Facebook. You'll also find there reflections on the daily readings that are part of our journey through the entire Bible and information about upcoming events. To be sure not to miss out on the latest at Fourth Church, "Like" Fourth Church on Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch or scan the QR code at right with any smartphone)—and invite your friends to like us too!



Worship

Deborah Kapp, a former Associate Pastor at Fourth Church and a professor at McCormick Theological Seminary, will preach at 9:30 and 11:00 services the next two Sundays, March 11 and 18.

A service in the style of Taizé is held at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Friday of each month, offering opportunity to gather for a time of prayer, meditative singing, and silent reflection. The next service will be Friday, March 23. It will be preceded by an opportunity to walk the labyrinth in Anderson Hall between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m. This meditative walk takes approximately twenty minutes.

Morning Prayer is held weekdays in Stone Chapel at 9:30 a.m., except Tuesdays, when it is at 9:00 a.m. All are invited to join staff for the opportunity to remember in prayer members of the Fourth Church congregation and those in need.

Special prayer requests are included in intercessory prayer in Stone Chapel on Sundays. Individuals can pray there with a Deacon at 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. or place their prayer requests, written on paper, in one of the prayer boxes outside Stone Chapel or in the Narthex.

Children, Youth, and Family

A South Loop Moms' Group, for moms with a child two years or younger, meets on Wednesdays at 10:15 a.m. at a member's home. For information, contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (Inickerson@ fourthchurch.org).

Sunday School classes meet at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.

Fourth Church children and youth choirs rehearse on Sundays, with Youth Choir at 9:30 a.m. in the Third-Floor Conference Room, Cherub Choir at 10:30 a.m. in the Dining Room, and Children's Choir at 11:00 a.m. in the Third-Floor Conference Room.

Fourth Church youth meet on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building, with Elevation (grades 6–7) in the Knox Room, Fourth Church Rising (grade 8 confirmation) in the Calvin Room, and Senior Highs (grades 9–12) in the Multipurpose Space.

Fellowship

Young Adults gather for fellowship and a Lenten discussion on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building. For information, contact Matt Helms at 312.981.4034 (mhelms@fourthchurch.org).

Fourth Dimension will meet for the presentation "Hemingway of the Heartland," led by Redd Griffin of the Ernest Hemingway Foundation of Oak Park, this Friday, March 9 at 6:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Space on the 19th floor of the 737 building.

Young couples who are recently married, engaged, or partnered and want to meet other couples for monthly events are invited to contact Liz Nickerson at 312.573.3366 (Inickerson@fourthchurch.org).

Volunteers and Donations

Current Volunteer Needs Assistants to help with a variety of tasks

at the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

Tutors for children in the Chicago Lights Tutoring program on Thursdays from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. at Fourth Church

Current Donation Needs

Double paper/plastic bags from Treasure Island

for the Chicago Lights Elam Davies Social Service Center

For details or to volunteer, contact Larry Nicholson at 312.981.3382 (Inicholson@fourthchurch.org).

Enrichment

Academy for Faith and Life classes take place on Sundays at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson): "The Three Ds of Faith and the Good News of Temptation," led by John Boyle, meets at 9:30 a.m. "Reading the Bible as Literature," led by Hardy Kim, meets at 11:00 a.m. For information, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

"Vocation and Daily Work: Faith, Values, and Choice," a seminar examining how faith and personal values influence vocation, will be held this Monday, March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson).

Inquirers' Class offers an opportunity to learn more about Fourth Church as well as Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class, which next meets Monday, March 5 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in the Randolph Room, is also a prerequisite for membership.

Men's Bible Study, which meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month, will gather this Tuesday, March 6 at 7:30 a.m. in the Loop. For details, contact Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

A film screening and discussion, "Eating Mercifully," will take place this Thursday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). Christine Gutleben of the Humane Society of the United States will be present for the discussion. RSVP to Deanna Fedaj at 312.573.3364 (dfedaj@fourthchurch.org).

The Center for Life and Learning Bible Study takes place on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. on the 19th floor of the 737 building.

The "Religion in Interfaith Homes" series will discuss "What about Jesus?" next Sunday, March 11 at 12:30 p.m. at the Clare (corner of Rush and Pearson). For information, contact Joyce Shin at 312.274.3835 (jshin@fourthchurch.org).

Join the congregation-wide effort to read the entire Bible in a year! A Bible study meets at the 737 building Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. and is repeated on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. The reading list is available online at www.fourthchurch.org/readings2012.html and in a brochure in the literature racks. Daily devotions reflecting on the texts are available via Facebook (www.facebook.com/fourthchurch), Twitter (@FourthChicago), and by email (send addresses to devotions@fourthchurch.org).

Mission and Outreach

Thank you to everyone who supported Carnaval 2012! This annual gala benefits Chicago Lights, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization at Fourth Church serving children, youth, and adults facing the challenges of poverty; the Center for Life and Learning; and the Lorene Replogle Counseling Center.

A screening and discussion of The Interrupters,

a documentary on the work of CeaseFire's violence interrupters, will be held this Monday, March 5 at 5:30 p.m. in Anderson Hall. Author Alex Kotlowitz and Violence Interrupter Cobe Williams will be present for the discussion. Light refreshments will be served at 5:00 p.m.

The Benevolent Guild will gather this Wednesday, March 7 at 9:30 a.m. in the Knox Room on the 19th floor of the 737 building to create tray favors and stuffed animals for hospitalized children. The Benevolent Guild meets on the first, second, and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

Applications for the Lakota Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations mission trip (June 16–23) are due Monday, March 19. Details and application forms are available in the literature racks or by contacting Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@fourthchurch.org).

Cross Walk, a journey through Chicago to remember the more than 220 children killed in Chicago since 2009, will take place on Monday, April 2 at 5:30 p.m. To sign up for this walk, contact Vicki Reynolds at 312.981.3384 (vreynolds@

fourthchurch.org).

Chicago Lights Tutoring is looking for recipes from around the world to include during In2it Cafe. To share a recipe with Tutoring students, email Lori Parrett at lparrett@fourthchurch.org.

News and Resources

Daylight Saving Time begins next Sunday, March 11. Be sure to set clocks ahead an hour.

Complimentary certified tax preparation assistance is available courtesy of AARP and the Center for Life and Learning. For details, call 312.787.2729, ext. 368.

Fourth Church is on Twitter: (@FourthChicago).

The Career Transitions Center of Chicago, of which Fourth Church is a sponsoring organization, is offering a variety of programs for those seeking a job, looking for meaningful work, or otherwise going through a career transition. For details, visit www.ctcchicago.org.

For a preview of next Sunday's worship and news from Fourth Church, subscribe to the weekly email newsletter, News@FourthChurch, by sending email addresses to news@fourthchurch.org.

The 737 building, which provides additional off-site program and office space on the 19th floor during P2C construction, is located on Chicago Avenue, two blocks south of Fourth Church and just east of Michigan Avenue and Walgreens.

Connect with Chicago Lights! To receive updates on Chicago Lights news, volunteer opportunities, and events, subscribe to the monthly newsletter by visiting www.chicagolights.org, follow Chicago Lights on Twitter (twitter.com/Chicago_Lights), or "like" Chicago Lights on Facebook (facebook.com/chicagolights).

During Today's Worship

All are encouraged to use the prayer card, found in this worship bulletin, to offer joys and/or concerns. The cards will be collected during the Sharing of Gifts (simply place the card in the offering plate as it is passed). The prayers will then be incorporated into this afternoon's Prayers of the People.

If you have a prayer you would rather not share during worship, you are invited to complete a prayer card found by one of the prayer boxes in the Narthex, at the back of the Sanctuary, and it will be passed on to Judy Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care.

All, including children, are invited to the Lord's Table

to receive Communion, which is served by intinction. The congregation will come forward by the center aisle to receive the bread (gluten-free bread is available in the paper "cup" within the basket of bread), which they will then dip into the chalice of nonalcoholic grape juice. Worshipers will return to their pews by the side aisles.

Pastoral Staff for 4:00 Worship

Adam H. Fronczek, Associate Pastor for Adult Education and Worship John W. Vest, Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry Judith L. Watt, Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care

Please turn off all cell phones when in the Sanctuary.

During the Concerns of the Church, please pass the pew information pads, so that all worshipers have an opportunity to provide updated information and to greet one another by name following the service.

The large banners hanging in the middle of the Sanctuary were created by liturgical artist Shawna Bowman during the 4:00 worship service and are artistic representations of our worship experience.

Large-print Bibles and individual listening devices for improved sound are available in the back of the Sanctuary. Worship also can be heard through the "T" setting of hearing aids.

If your infant or small child needs care during the worship service, you may leave the Sanctuary and return as you wish. There is also an area in the side aisle where your child can play quietly.

Worship folders, containing quiet activities and a bulletin designed for children, are available from an usher.

Printed copies of sermons recently preached at Fourth Church are available in the literature racks outside the South Transept doors (leading to Anderson Hall) and in the Narthex, at the back of the Sanctuary. They are also available at www.fourthchurch.org/sermons.html.

If You Are New to Fourth Church

Please wear a lapel pin, found in the pew racks, so we might greet you after worship. We invite you to stop by the Narthex (at the back of the Sanctuary) after worship for coffee, fellowship, conversation, and information about church programs and volunteer opportunities.

Sunday parking is available at 900 North Michigan (access from Rush or Walton Street) at the rate of \$8.00. Validation tickets must be picked up from the 126 E. Chestnut St. reception desk. There is no discounted afternoon parking at the Hancock garage.

Inquirers' Class explores Presbyterian history and beliefs. This one-session class is also a prerequisite for membership. Attend Monday, March 5 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Saturday, March 17 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; or Sunday, March 25 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. For membership information, contact Hardy Kim, Associate Pastor for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (hkim@fourthchurch.org).